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Examining Group 1711**

Our Case No. 659/1531 (K-C 14996B)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Wang et al.

Application No. 09/753,077

Filing Date: March 12, 2001

**For WATER-RESPONSIVE
BIODEGRADABLE POLYMER
COMPOSITIONS AND METHOD
OF MAKING SAME**

Examiner Jeffrey Mullis

Group Art Unit No. 1711

RESPONSE

**Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450 – Mail Stop AF
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated April 22, 2004, please reconsider the application in view of the attached Terminal Disclaimer.